



## ZIONSVILLE STREET AND STORMWATER DEPARTMENT

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STREET AND STORMWATER DEPARTMENT REPORT  
ZIONSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 5, 2011

1. **SR 334 PATHWAY DESIGN**

A bid-opening was conducted on June 9<sup>th</sup>, with seven contractors submitting bids summarized in the following table:

Name	Base Bid Amount
Calumet Civil Contractors, Inc.	\$962,400.00
HIS Constructors, Inc.	\$988,600.00
Beaty Construction, Inc.	\$1,057,070.00
RL Turner Corporation	\$1,109,000.00
Millennium Contractors, LLC	\$1,145,348.23
Jack Isom Construction Co., Inc.	\$1,235,947.93
American Contracting and Services, Inc.	\$1,332,716.66

The lowest apparent responsive and responsible bidder was Calumet Civil Contractors, Inc. The low bid was above the latest engineers' estimate, but is within the \$975,000 budgeted amount approved by the Council and Economic Redevelopment Commission. Pending review and questioning of the low bidder by the design engineer BLN, a notice to proceed is expected to be issued this month.

One additional cost consideration has arisen regarding utility relocation. From past experience utilities located within public rights of way relocated their facilities at their expense when a local agency required them to do so to accommodate a project. However, Duke Energy has taken the position that they are expecting to

be reimbursed for the relocation of two utility poles as part of this project. Their policy states that they will only perform utility relocation at their expense if the local project is a road project, and any other project (pathway, sewer, etc.) is a reimbursable expense. This issue has been handed over to the Town Attorney for review and discussion with the attorney from Duke Energy. If the Town is ultimately required to pay for the relocation of the two utility poles, additional funds will likely be necessary; however, this can be handled through the budget of this department through re-appropriations and should not require additional funds from the TIF.

**2. TURKEY FOOT PATHWAY DESIGN**

Design is on hold for the pathway to be constructed along the east side of Turkey Foot Ave. Preliminary design and estimated costs were developed by the Town Engineering firm for a potential realignment of the intersecting roadways, and were presented to the Safety Board for their consideration. Upon review and discussion, the Safety Board has tabled this item and recommended that the intersection realignment project be reviewed at that time when the Transportation Plan is revisited. Until that time, pathway design will remain suspended.

**3. EAGLE CREEK STREAM BANK EROSION ALONG TEMPLE AVE.**

Work is complete on this project. The system of wire baskets containing rock material is designed with native planting plugs on the face of the wall towards the creek.

**4. STORMWATER PERMIT ACTIVITIES**

Staff continues to work with the Board and CAC on the potential development of a stormwater utility. The Stormwater Program Manager participated in an event sponsored by the Soil and Water Conservation Society and held at Starkey Farms where farmers and average citizens were educated about adaptive conservation farming practices that promote clean water. The event also focused on the interface between urban and rural areas and the implications for water quality. Stormwater CAC member Doug Vawter also attended the event.

On Saturday, June 18 the Zionsville Street and Stormwater Department co-hosted with the Zion Nature Center a basic training workshop for the Hoosier Riverwatch volunteer stream monitoring program. The program had eight participants who are all now certified volunteer stream monitors.

The Street and Stormwater Department is coordinating with the Eagle Creek Watershed Alliance and the Boone County Soil and Water Conservation District to host a meeting in Zionsville for local homeowners associations. The topic of the meeting will be on how homeowners can positively impact water quality and there will also be information provided on available cost share programs to implement best management practices in neighborhoods. The Street and Stormwater Department will also discuss the new stormwater utility.

The municipal services building has implemented a new environmentally friendly used oil storage and recycling practice that utilizes secondary containment to prevent accidental spills and releases of oil and other potential pollutants. The practice is part of the facility's comprehensive stormwater pollution prevention plan.

5. **STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD**

At its June 14<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, the board voted to establish a stormwater utility for the Town of Zionsville and is now working to adopt a rate structure, budget and policies and procedures for the utility for recommendation to the Town Council.

The Stormwater Management Board will hold its next meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup> in the Fireplace Room of the Zionsville Town Hall to continue discussions on the potential establishment of a utility rate to fund stormwater management within the Town.

6. **SR 334 RELINQUISHMENT**

A digital version of the fully executed agreement between the Town and the State of Indiana has been received, thus finalizing this endeavor; however a file-stamped copy of the recorded document is still forthcoming. Department staff must now generate an invoice in the amount of \$155,000 for compensation from the State in accordance with the agreement. It is expected that this money will be appropriated to the MVH fund to pay for additional equipment and staff to cover the additional responsibilities to maintain the newly acquired roadway segment.

7. **FIRST STREET PROJECT**

The selection committee of Superintendent Lantz, Town Manager Mitro, Councilor Swack and Councilor Mundy has selected the design team of VS Engineering and Rundell Ernstberger for the design of this project. A draft service contract was provided by VS Engineering on June 29<sup>th</sup>, and is under review for expected execution the first week of July. Also during the first week of July, stakeholder and interested parties will be identified and an initial public input meeting will be scheduled.

8. **ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION**

This annual service for residents to dispose of hazardous household waste has been set for August 27<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall, as in previous years. This event is hosted by the Town and executed by Boone County Solid Waste Management District. Detailed information will be made available closer to the date and publicized in various media.

9. **DOWNTOWN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE**

The Brickman Group has been contracted to maintain the downtown landscaping. Services have commenced and the flower baskets have been planted with the second of three planned seasonal flower plantings.

**10. TRASH/RECYCLING CONTAINERS**

Street and Stormwater Department staff has identified several options for new trash and recycling containers for the Downtown Business District. These options were presented to the Zionsville Merchants' Association at their April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting for discussion and input. An on-line survey was been developed and distributed to the ZMA. Upon tallying the initial responses, there was no overwhelming preference to emerge, other than there should be a separate container for recycling rather than a larger combined unit for waste and recyclables. A follow up survey with "A or B" options will be made available this month, and a final selection should be made by the end of July.

**11. TRAFFIC COUNTS CONDUCTED**

In preparation for a statutorily-required five-year update to the Town's Traffic Impact Fee, A&F Engineering, who conducted the original study, has been conducting traffic counts at area intersections throughout Zionsville. With the exception of certain intersections along CR 300 S, which is under construction and therefore would not yield reliable data, the counts are complete.